

No. R-207. House concurrent resolution honoring Steven E. Jeffrey for his exemplary leadership of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns.

(H.C.R.153)

Offered by: Representatives Manwaring of Wilmington, Masland of Thetford, Ancel of Calais, Bancroft of Westford, Bartholomew of Hartland, Baser of Bristol, Batchelor of Derby, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Berry of Manchester, Beyor of Highgate, Bissonnette of Winooski, Botzow of Pownal, Branagan of Georgia, Browning of Arlington, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Buxton of Tunbridge, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Clarkson of Woodstock, Cole of Burlington, Condon of Colchester, Connor of Fairfield, Conquest of Newbury, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Corcoran of Bennington, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dakin of Chester, Dakin of Colchester, Dame of Essex, Davis of Washington, Deen of Westminster, Devereux of Mount Holly, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Donahue of Northfield, Donovan of Burlington, Eastman of Orwell, Ellis of Waterbury, Emmons of Springfield, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Feltus of Lyndon, Fields of Bennington, Fiske of Enosburgh, Forguites of Springfield, Frank of Underhill, French of Randolph, Gamache of Swanton, Gonzalez of Winooski, Grad of Moretown, Graham of Williamstown, Greshin of Warren, Haas of Rochester, Head of South Burlington, Hebert of Vernon, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Montpelier, Hubert of Milton, Huntley of Cavendish, Jerman of Essex, Jewett of Ripton, Johnson of South Hero, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Keenan of St. Albans City, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Klein of East Montpelier, Komline of Dorset, Krebs of South Hero, Krowinski of Burlington, LaClair of Barre Town, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lefebvre of Newark, Lenes of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Lippert of Hinesburg, Long of Newfane, Lucke of Hartford, Macaig of Williston, Marcotte of Coventry, Martel of Waterford, Martin of Wolcott, McCormack of Burlington, McCoy of Poultney, McCullough of Williston, McFaun of Barre Town, Miller of Shaftsbury, Morris of Bennington, Morrissey of Bennington, Mrowicki of Putney, Murphy of Fairfax, Myers of Essex, Nuovo of Middlebury, O'Brien of Richmond, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Parent of St. Albans City, Patt of Worcester, Pearce of Richford, Pearson of Burlington, Potter of Clarendon, Pugh of South Burlington, Purvis of Colchester, Quimby of Concord, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Russell of Rutland City, Ryerson of Randolph, Scheuermann of Stowe, Sharpe of Bristol, Shaw of Pittsford, Sheldon of Middlebury, Sibilina of Dover, Smith of New Haven, Stevens of Waterbury, Strong of Albany, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Tate of Mendon, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Till of Jericho, Toleno of Brattleboro, Toll of Danville, Townsend of South Burlington, Trieber of Rockingham, Troiano of Stannard, Turner of Milton, Viens of Newport City, Walz of Barre City, Webb of Shelburne, Willhoit of St. Johnsbury, Woodward of Johnson, Wright of Burlington, Yantachka of Charlotte, Young of Glover, and Zagar of Barnard

Offered by: Senators Ashe, Ayer, Balint, Baruth, Benning, Bray, Campbell, Campion, Collamore, Cummings, Degree, Doyle, Flory, Kitchel, Lyons, MacDonald, Mazza, McAllister, McCormack, Mullin, Nitka, Pollina, Rodgers, Sears, Sirotkin, Starr, Westman, White, and Zuckerman

Whereas, the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) was established in 1967, and its membership consists of all the State's 246 organized cities and towns and 141 other municipal subdivisions, and

Whereas, in 1978, VLCT hired Steve Jeffrey, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire's master's in public administration program, as the organization's associate director, and

Whereas, in 1982, VLCT named him its executive director, a decision the organization has never regretted, and

Whereas, throughout his 37 years in VLCT staff leadership, Steve Jeffrey has represented vigorously the interests and concerns of the State's municipalities, as either the organization's members or the VLCT board has articulated, and

Whereas, localities, legislators, and the advocacy community often rely on Steve Jeffrey's expertise on matters pertaining to local government, including the critical issue of public education financing, and

Whereas, in several policy areas, Steve Jeffrey has fostered VLCT staff expertise that municipalities, legislators, and members of administrations from different political parties have trusted, and

Whereas, for three separate terms, Steve Jeffrey served on the National League of Cities and Towns' board of directors, assuring that the views of small rural towns were part of the national organization's policy deliberations, and

Whereas, Steve Jeffrey recognizes the importance of municipal volunteer service and has served as a firefighter, town moderator, and parliamentarian, and as a member of a town-village merger study committee, recreation board, police citizen's advisory committee, and planning commission, and

Whereas, he and his wife, Marilyn, are the proud parents of two impressive and talented daughters, and

Whereas, after 37 years of dedicated service on behalf of the State's municipalities, Steve Jeffrey will conclude his leadership service at VLCT on June 30, 2015, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Steven E. Jeffrey for his exemplary leadership of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Steve Jeffrey.